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### FAIRS Subject Report

### Amendment to the PFA Rule Relating to Nutritional Labeling of Packaged Food

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**Report Highlights:**

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India (GOI) issued an official Gazette notification on February 27, 2009, regarding a corrigendum to the nutritional labeling of packaged food, Prevention of Food Adulteration (5th Amendment) Rules, 2008. The GOI's previously notified rule on nutritional labeling of packaged food, S.No. 664(E), dated September 19, 2008, is scheduled for implementation on March 19, 2009.

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Includes PSD Changes: No  
Includes Trade Matrix: No  
Trade Report  
New Delhi [IN1]  
[IN]

**Introduction:** On February 27, 2009, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MOHFW) issued an Official Gazette amendment (corrigendum) to the September 19, 2008 notification on the nutritional labeling of packaged food (Prevention of Food Adulteration (5th Amendment) Rules, 2008).

**Disclaimer:** This summary is based on a  *cursory* review of the subject announcement and therefore should not under any circumstances, be viewed as a definitive reading of the regulation in question, or of its implications for U.S. agricultural export trade interests.

**Type of Regulation:** Final

**Details on the final Gazette notification No. G.S.R. 135(E), dated February 27, 2009:**

- **Publication Date:** February 27, 2009
- **WTO Notification Date:** Not notified to the WTO (as of March 6, 2009).
- **Products Affected:** Packaged foods, with some exceptions.

**Agency in Charge:** Department of Health, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India

**Major Changes: NOTIFICATION (Text as published, attached on page 3-4)**

The text of the notification can also be assessed at:

<http://www.mohfw.nic.in/Noti%20135.pdf>

Please see IN8119 for the complete text details of the original regulation, S.No. 664(E), dated September 19, 2008. The Ministry of Health notified the nutritional labeling of packaged food (Prevention of Food Adulteration, 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment Rules, 2008) notification to the WTO on January 27, 2009 (G/SPS/N/IND/59).

The full text version of the PFA Act and Rules can be accessed from:

<http://mohfw.nic.in/pfa%20acts%20and%20rules.pdf>

This websites are mentioned for readers' convenience; USDA does **NOT** in any way endorse, guarantee the accuracy of, or necessarily concur with the information contained in the above sites.

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EXTRAORDINARY

भाग II—खण्ड 3—उप-खण्ड (i)  
PART II—Section 3—Sub-section (i)

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मुद्रित-पत्र

नई दिल्ली, 27 फरवरी, 2009

सा.का.वि. 135(98).—भारत के समस्त असाधारण के  
भाग II, खण्ड 3, उप-खण्ड (i) में मुद्रित संख्या 1 से 19 पर प्रकाशित  
भारत सरकार, स्वास्थ्य एवं परिवार कल्याण मंत्रालय (स्वास्थ्य और  
परिवार कल्याण विभाग) की अधिसूचना संख्या सा.का.वि. 664(अ),  
दिनांक 19 सितम्बर, 2008 में —

1. पृष्ठ 2 पर,—

- (क) पंक्ति 9-10 में, "और उनका भार या आयतन" शब्दों को "भार या आयतन के अनुसार" पढ़ें।  
(ख) पंक्ति 15-17 में, "आवा योन्टो से चिन्न ऐसे संश्लिष्ट संघटक, जो आवा के घरेलू प्रतिपात से कम होता है, वहां ऐसे चिन्नित" शब्दों को स्थान पर "ऐसे किसी संश्लिष्ट संघटक को आवा के घरेलू प्रतिपात से कम है वहां आवा योन्टो से चिन्न संश्लिष्ट" पढ़ें।

2. पृष्ठ 7 पर,—

- (क) पंक्ति 8 में, "10 वर्ग सेंटीमीटर" शब्दों और संख्या को "30 वर्ग सेंटीमीटर" पढ़ें।  
(ख) पंक्ति 14-15 पर "किन्तु क्षेत्र पर नियम 32 के खण्ड (ख) के पैर (2) की मद (vi) में विनिर्दिष्ट पौष्टिक सूचकांकी के अनुसार" शब्दों और अंकों के स्थान पर, "किन्तु लेबल पर नियम 32 के खण्ड (ख) के पैर (2) की मद (vi) में विनिर्दिष्ट पौष्टिक सूचकांकी के अनुसार" पढ़ें।

परन्तु उन कति की नोटलों पर, जो 19 मार्च, 2009 के परचाल विधित की गई हैं संभवतः की नवी और पौष्टिक सूचकांकी पर से लागू" पढ़ें।

[सा. सं. पी-156149/2601-जी एच (खण्ड)]

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MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

(Department of Health and Family Welfare)

CORRIGENDUM

New Delhi, the 27th February, 2009

G.S.R. 135(E).—In the notification of the Government of India in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health and Family Welfare), number G.S.R. 664(E), dated 19th September, 2008 published in the Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i) at pages 1-19 of the Gazette of India, Extraordinary,—

1. At page 12, in sub-rule (i) of rule 3, in clause (i):—

- (a) in line 9 to 11, relating to sub-clause (ii), for the words,

"and their weight or volume used in the product at the time of its manufacture shall be listed in descending order,"

read

"used in the product shall be listed in descending order of their composition by weight or volume, as the case may be, at the time of its manufacture,"

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[PART II—SEC. 3(5)]

- (b) in line 17 to 20 relating to the proviso of sub-clause (ii), for the words, "other than the food additives which constitutes less than five per cent of the food, the list of ingredients of such compound ingredient,"

read

"constitutes less than five per cent of the food, the list of ingredients of the compound ingredient, other than food additive,"

2. At page 16, in clause (3) of sub-rule (V) of rule 2,—

- (a) in line 25 relating to sub-clause (ii), for the words and figures "less than 10 square

centimeter" read "less than 30 square centimeters",

- (b) in line 22 relating to sub-clause (iii), for the words, "given on the bottle"

read

"given on the label.

Provided that in case of such glass bottles manufactured after 19th March, 2009 the list of ingredients and nutritional information shall be given on the bottle."

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